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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

- v. -

CONSENT PRELIMINARY ORDER

OF FORFEITURE AS TO

: <u>SPECIFIC PROPERTY</u>

JOVAL PALMER,

20 Cr. 379 (MKV)

Defendant.

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WHEREAS, on or about July 23, 2020, JOVAL PALMER (the "Defendant"), was charged in a four-count Indictment, 20 Cr. 379 (MKV) (the "Indictment"), with Hobbs Act robbery, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1951 and 2 (Count One); using, carrying, and possessing a firearm, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 924(c)(1)(A)(i), (ii), and 2 (Count Two); felon in possession of a firearm, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(g)(1), 924(a)(2), and 2 (Count Three); and felon in possession of ammunition, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(g)(1), 924(a)(2), and 2 (Count Four);

WHEREAS, the Indictment included a forfeiture allegation as to Count One of the Indictment, seeking forfeiture to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), of any and all property, real and personal, that constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment, including but not limited to a sum of money in United States currency representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment;

WHEREAS, the Indictment included a forfeiture allegation as to Counts Two through Four of the Indictment, seeking forfeiture to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United

States Code, Section 924(d)(1) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), of any and all firearms and ammunition involved in or used in the offenses charged in Counts Two through Four of the Indictment, including but not limited to:

- a. a 9mm caliber Glock pistol; and
- b. a box of Winchester 9mm caliber Luger ammunition;

WHEREAS, on or about April 29, 2021, the Defendant pled guilty to Counts One and Two of the Indictment, pursuant to a plea agreement with the Government, wherein the Defendant admitted the forfeiture allegation with respect to Count One of the Indictment;

WHEREAS, the Defendant further consents to the forfeiture of all his right, title and interest in the following items, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(d)(1) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), which constitute property involved in the offenses charged in Counts One and Two of the Indictment to which the Defendant pled guilty:

- a. One 9mm caliber Glock Inc. Pistol Model 43. SN ZSU818 seized on or about
   March 10, 2020 in New Rochelle, NY; and
- b. 11 rounds of Winchester-Western ammunition, seized on or about March 10,
   2020 in New Rochelle, NY

(a. and b. collectively, the "Specific Property"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(g), and Rules 32.2(b)(3), and 32.2(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the Government is now entitled, pending any assertion of third-party claims, to reduce the Specific Property to its possession and to notify any and all persons who reasonably appear to be a potential claimant of their interest herein;

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the United States of America, by its attorney Audrey Strauss, United States Attorney, Assistant United States Attorneys, Jun Xiang and Kaylan E. Lasky of counsel, and the Defendant, and his counsel, John Meringolo, Esq., that:

- 1. As a result of the offenses charged in Counts One and Two of the Indictment, to which the Defendant pled guilty, all of the Defendant's right, title and interest in the Specific Property is hereby forfeited to the United States for disposition in accordance with the law, subject to the provisions of Title 21, United States Code, Section 853.
- 2. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(4) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture as to Specific Property is final as to the Defendant, JOVAL PALMER, and shall be deemed part of the sentence of the Defendant, and shall be included in the judgment of conviction therewith.
- 3. Upon entry of this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture as to Specific Property, the United States (or its designee) is hereby authorized to take possession of the Specific Property and to hold such property in its secure custody and control.
- 4. Pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(n)(1), Rule 32.2(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, and Rules G(4)(a)(iv)(C) and G(5)(a)(ii) of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions, the United States is permitted to publish forfeiture notices on the government internet site, www.forfeiture.gov. This site incorporates the forfeiture notices that have been traditionally published in newspapers. The United States forthwith shall publish the internet ad for at least thirty (30) consecutive days. Any person, other than the Defendant, claiming interest in the Specific Property must file a Petition within sixty (60) days from the first day of publication of the Notice

on this official government internet web site, or no later than thirty-five (35) days from the mailing of actual notice, whichever is earlier.

- 5. The published notice of forfeiture shall state that the petition (i) shall be for a hearing to adjudicate the validity of the petitioner's alleged interest in the Specific Property, (ii) shall be signed by the petitioner under penalty of perjury, and (iii) shall set forth the nature and extent of the petitioner's right, title or interest in the Specific Property, the time and circumstances of the petitioner's acquisition of the right, title and interest in the Specific Property, any additional facts supporting the petitioner's claim, and the relief sought, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(n).
- 6. Pursuant to 32.2 (b)(6)(A) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the Government shall send notice to any person who reasonably appears to be a potential claimant with standing to contest the forfeiture in the ancillary proceeding.
- 7. Upon adjudication of all third-party interests, this Court will enter a Final Order of Forfeiture with respect to the Specific Property pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(n), in which all interests will be addressed.
- 8. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the United States Attorney's Office is authorized to conduct any discovery needed to identify, locate or dispose of forfeitable property, including depositions, interrogatories, requests for production of documents and the issuance of subpoenas.
- 9. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture as to Specific Property, and to amend it as necessary, pursuant to Rule 32.2 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

- The Clerk of the Court shall forward three certified copies of this Consent 10. Preliminary Order of Forfeiture as to Specific Property to Assistant United States Attorney Alexander J. Wilson, Co-Chief of the Money Laundering and Transnational Criminal Enterprises Unit, United States Attorney's Office, One St. Andrew's Plaza, New York, New York 10007.
- The signature page of this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture as to 11. Specific Property may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.

AGREED AND CONSENTED TO:

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SO ORDERED:

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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